

Jump Saves One-Legged Man From Tragedy



A quick jump by one-legged Kenneth Ballweber, 4145 Glenwood Dr., Wednesday noon saved him from possible death in an auto accident at South 12th and Howard Streets. Ballweber, a newspaper carrier, was reaching into his parked car for crutches when a Dairy Cooperative truck driven by Simpson Hamrick Jr., Marquam, skidded into his car. Ballweber jumped to the rear of his car as the truck hit. He was treated at Salem General Hospital for a broken finger. Phillip Schindler, 11, of 1355 Fairmount Ave., a passenger with him, was uninjured. Shows giving emergency treatment to Ballweber are left Allen Mequier and Gerald Hall, both members of the Salem first aid crew.

Steel Industry Decides to Keep United Front

PITTSBURGH (AP) — A source close to several major steel companies said Wednesday night they have decided at a secret meeting to maintain their solid front against the CIO United Steelworkers' demands for a union shop.

The source, who refused to allow his name to be used, declared: "The meeting was held in Cleveland Tuesday."

"The executives of several major steel companies took a united stand on the union shop issue. They decided they can not and must not back down in their insistence that their workers must be allowed to work whether they are members of the union or whether they are not members."

It was learned several companies in addition to "Big Six" companies were represented at the meeting. The "Big Six," making up a major part of the industry, is composed of U. S. Steel, Bethlehem, Republic, Jones & Laughlin, Youngstown Sheet and Tube and Inland.

German POW Secrets Found

MONTEITH, Canada (AP) — Inmates of the Monteith Jail Farm found many surprises as they tore down the barracks constructed here for a German prisoner-of-war camp during World War II. So far they have found two home-made radios, numerous maps and a box filled with contraband materials hidden in the walls of the buildings. The radios, about 4 inches square, were built from scrap including parts of combs, cigarette papers, nails, wire, flash-light bulbs for tubes and small batteries.

The walls of one of the buildings demolished recently were found plugged with earth, obviously removed from a tunnel. Although the barracks buildings sat on posts and the ground under them was floodlighted, several escape tunnels were discovered by guards.

VOLUNTEERS WORK FAST
JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (AP)—Volunteer workers started and almost completed in a single day an educational unit for the First Baptist Church. The church suddenly found its facilities were inadequate due to the addition of more than 130 members in the last few months. Part of the new structure will be used for Sunday School purposes.

Civil Defense Stressed at Police Meet

VANCOUVER, B.C. (AP)—Pacific Coast policemen heard speeches dealing with civil defense, dime novels and traffic fatalities Wednesday.

The speeches were made at the annual convention of the Pacific Coast International Association of Law Enforcement Officers here. More than 200 delegates are attending from Canada, the United States and Mexico.

The civil defense speech was made by L. F. Mariels, U. S. federal police co-ordinator for region nine, which embraces Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana.

He said his region is making tremendous progress in organization and is keeping a close watch on civil defense development in British Columbia, and in particular, in Vancouver, which we regard as one of the most important focal points for civil defense organization on this continent."

Justice A. M. Manson of Vancouver lashed out against purveyors of dime novel literature and parents who permitted their children to read them, saying the

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"parents of Canada and the U. S. are the delinquents."
Leslie J. Sorenson, city traffic engineer of Chicago and former vice president of the Traffic and Transportation National Safety Council, hit at the highway accident death toll.
"Every year in the U.S." Sorenson said, "the population of a city comparable to Everett, Wash., is wiped out on our highways."
He said 37,300 persons were killed in traffic accidents in the U.S. last year and 1,300,000 were injured.

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Jobless Pay Checks for Year Increase

Payments to Oregon's unemployed workers for the benefit year just ended were \$13,889,242, an increase of 33.2 per cent over the previous 12-month period but 3 per cent under the average for the past four years, the State Unemployment Compensation Commission announced Wednesday.

Despite the \$3,464,490 increase in payments combined with lower tax rates, reserves of \$74,762,530 in the state unemployment compensation fund were slightly above a year ago. Collections from employees dropped \$262,000 to \$12,616,000, but interest paid by the federal government climbed to \$1,654,597.

The number of those filing claims increased from 86,046 in 1950-51 to 92,166 during the past year while first payments went from 58,103 to 66,196. Only 10,624 persons exhausted annual benefits as compared with 13,110 in 1950-51. Both figures are the lowest of the post-war period, although 1947-48 had fewer claimants.

Coast Guard's Recruiters Busy

An intensified drive is now on for enlisting young men in the regular Coast Guard and Coast Guard reserve, the Coast Guard recruiting office in Portland announced Wednesday.

Men 17 to 25 can enlist for four years and be assigned to duty at the Coast Guard Training Station, Alameda, Calif., for 12 weeks basic training. After completion of the basic training, the new coast guardsman is given 10 days leave en route to his first assignment ashore or afloat.

Information may be obtained from the Coast Guard recruiters in room 205, U. S. Court House, Broadway and Main Sts., Portland.

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Allies Burn Red Troops From Holes

SEOUL (AP) — Allied raiders blasted and burned Communist troops from hillside bunkers on Wednesday near the Panmunjom truce site in Western Korea.

The infantrymen used flame throwers and threw explosive charges in the assault north of Korangpo, less than 10 miles north east of Panmunjom. Red resistance was described as feeble.

Communist mortars opened up with a heavy barrage and the raiders withdrew after 30 minutes.

The raiders said they left many Communist dead in collapsed and sealed bunkers.

Slightly to the east, Communist attackers forced Allied troops off two forward hilltop positions Wednesday night but United Nations troops poured down a rain of artillery fire and regained the heights early Thursday.

The see-saw action, northwest of Yonchon, involved only small troop units.

Fog, haze and rain covered most of the 155-mile battle front until dawn.

YOUNGSTER GETS LOST
DETROIT (AP)— Little Michael Arvon, 2, apparently awoke from a nap, unhooked the screen door with a broomstick and just went for a walk. Everything went along fine until he got scared of a dog. Nearby residents reported he jumped into a parked car. When picked up by police the youngster was clutching a doll he had picked up in his travels.

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